

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the subject application. Claims 1-6, 8-18, 20-36, 38-42, 57-58, 60-67 and 69-71 are pending in this application.

The claims are subjected to a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121 as allegedly containing four distinct inventions:

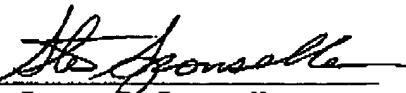
- I. Claims 1-6, 8-12 and 61-66
- II. Claims 13-17 and 67
- III. Claims 18, 20-21, 22-35, 57-58, 60 and 69-71
- IV. Claims 36 and 38-42

Applicant hereby elects to prosecute claims 18, 20-21, 22-35, 57-58, 60 and 69-71 (Group III).

Respectfully Submitted,

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